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Dear Mr. Pray,

This is in response to your request for information pursuant to the provisions of the Wisconsin Public Records Law (Wis. Stat. § 19.31-39). In your letter dated November 6, 2012, you requested the following:

1. Any requests for proposals, proposals submitted by vendors, contracts, budgets or cost allocations for the purchase, research of and/or use of aerial drones, UA, UVA, and UAS (hereinafter "drones");
2. Any policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on institutional use of drones, including on the legal process required, if any, before operating a drone;
3. Any departmental records concerning this institution's use of and/or research of drones now or plans to use drones in the future including:
4. The types of investigations or instances in which this department is using or plans to use drones, or how it plans to support, manage or oversee the usage of drones by another department;
5. Policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on storage requirements or procedures for video or static images obtained through use of drones, including retention time;
6. The altitude at which drones can or do fly;
7. Drone's ability to carry weapons.

(Numerical designations by responder for reference purposes, only)

Based upon the information provided, an inspection of the relevant files of the Milwaukee Police Department fails to disclose the requested information.

Sincerely,

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MICHAEL D. JONES  
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